



TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

Arlington Planning Department, 730 Mass Ave,
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Date: February 9, 2022.

To: Select Board.

From: Transportation Advisory Committee.

Subject: TAC recommendations on Lower Washington Street and request for
clarification on recommendations for private ways

Memorandum.

The Transportation Advisory Committee has developed recommendations regarding Lower Washington Street in response to the request forwarded to TAC by the Board, but committee members raised some concerns about making recommendations for private ways.

The working group tried to word this document for the Washington Street project in such a way to be clear that it is not a substitute for engineering design services, but advice to the Board on what kind of designs the Board may find acceptable. We want to be cautious with the recommendations from our committee on private ways because, ultimately, the owners of any private way should consult with an engineer for design documents in order to make improvements, and we want to check that our memo does not make the Town liable if the recommendations are taken.

As we serve the Town to the best of our ability, we want to do whatever we can to help the Select Board make well-informed decisions as well as be responsive to the citizens who place their problems before us.

Submitted by:

Laura Swan, Chair.

Transportation Advisory Committee.